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1. CHINA

WRITING IN 9/13 "WEEKLY LITERARY GAZETTE," SOVIET COLUMNIST
VITALY KOBYSH ACCUSED UK OF WANTING FOSTER CHINESE
HOSTILITY TOWARDS SOVIET THRU SALE OF MODERN WEAPONS,
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INCLUDING HARRIER "JUMP-JET," TO PRC. DECLARED LONDON
UNDERSTOOD ARMS DEALS BEING WORKED OUT BEFORE HUANG HUA'S
FORTHCOMING UK TRIP WERE PURELY POLITICAL/ANTI-SOVIET, TO
LARGE EXTENT (REUTER MOSCOW).

AP (ANSHAN) REPORTS THAT W/UNTAPPED IRON ORE SUPPLIES, CITY
MAY PRODUCT ABOUT 30 MIL METRIC TONS OF STEEL THIS YR

(LAT 9/11; SUN 9/10).

"PD" REPORTS PRC, HAVING OVERCOME DISRUPTIONS CAUSED BY POL EXTREMISTS, IS NOW ABLE PROVIDE NE OF COUNTRY W/STEADY/RELIABLE ELECTRICITY (REUTER PEKING 9/12).

2. CHINA/JAPAN

JAPAN/CHINA AGREED IN GENERAL TERMS TUES TO COOP IN DEVEL PRC'S POL/COAL RESOURCES. MITI'S KOMOTO, WHO ARRIVED PEKING MON FOR 5-DAY VISIT, MET CHINESE PETRO MIN SUNG CHEN-MING/COAL MIN HSIAO HAN TUESDAY. AT PRESS BRIEFING AFTERWARDS, KOMOTO SAID GOJ PREPARED SUPPORT/COOP W/JAPAN FIRMS INVOLVED AND TO INCREASE ITS OIL IMPORTS FROM CHINA AFTER CURRENT 5-YR AGREEMENT RUNS OUT IN '82 (REUTER'S MACKENZIE PEKING 9/12).

JAPANESE NEWSPAPERS REPORTED MON JAPAN HAS DECIDED EXTEND 1-2 BIL DOLS IN BANK LOANS TO CHINA--BY FAR LARGEST LENDING IN HISTORY OF 2 COUNTRIES. "NIHON KEIZAI" SAID LOANS WOULD PAY FOR DEVEL COAL MINES/OIL FIELD WELLS, BUT WOULDNT MATERIALIZE FOR SOME TIME (NYT TOKYO, SUN 9/12).

HITACHI SHIPBLDG/ENGINEERING CO PLANS HELP IN CHINESE PROJECT TO EXPAND HUNGCHI SHIPYARDS IN LUTA. "KYODO" SAYS PROJECT INCLUDES CONSTRUCTION OF DOCK CAPABLE OF BLDG SHIPS UNCLASSIFIED

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OF 100,000 TONS OR MORE AT ESTIMATED COST OF 78.9 MIL DOLS (UPI TOKYO, JOC 9/12).

PLA GENERAL STAFF'S DEPUTY CHIEF CHANG TSAI-CHIEN LEAVES TOKYO 9/13 AFTER 6-DAY VISIT--FIRST TRIP TO JAPAN BY HIGH-LEVEL PRC MIL MAN. SUN'S MARTIN (TOKYO) NOTES GOJ HAS PLAYED DOWN "UNOFFICIAL VISIT" IN DEFERENCE TO SOVIET FEARS THAT CHINA-JAPAN PFT WILL RESULT IN RAPID MODERNIZATION/MIL STRENGTHENING OF CHINA.

3. JAPAN

FONMINISTRY SAID 9/13 THAT GOJ HAS PROTEST AGAINST SOVIET PLANS TO CARRY OUT MIL EXERCISES OFF JAPANESE-CLAIMED ETOROFU ISLAND. ADDED THAT PROTEST, FILED THRU GOJ EMB IN MOSCOW TUES, CALLED FOR CANCELLATION OF FIRING PRACTICE BECAUSE PART OF DANGER ZONE SET BY SOVIETS WOULD INCLUDE 12-MI TERRITORIAL WATERS CLAIMED BY JAPAN AROUND ISLAND (REUTER TOKYO).

RESPONDING TO WP 9/9 EDIT ABOUT WHETHER LOWER IMPORT PRICES IN JAPAN ARE BEING PASSED ON TO CONSUMERS, EMB COUNSELOR

YOSHIO KARITA WRITES PAPER ASSURANCE THAT GOJ "IS FULLY CONSCIOUS" OF "POSSIBLE PROBLEM YOU POSE," BUT OBVIOUSLY CANNOT DICTATE PRICE STRUCTURES TO PRIVATE FIRMS. NEVERTHELESS, HE SAYS, GOJ "IS TAKING ENERGETIC STEPS" TO SEE THAT LOWER PRICES OF IMPORTED GOODS ARE PASSED ON TO CONSUMERS "AS FULLY AS POSSIBLE."

WP'S LANDERS (TAIF) REPORTS PM FUKUDA WARNED TUES THAT DECLINE IN US DOL COULD TRIGGER MAJOR INCREASE IN WORLD PRICE OF OIL/START "VICIOUS CYCLE" THAT "WILL BE EXTREMELY HARMFUL" TO WORLD ECON. PREMIER'S REMARKS CAME AT END OF 2-DAY STATE VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA.

MITI ADVISORY PUBLICATION REPORTED TUES THAT JAPAN HAS UNCLASSIFIED

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DECIDED PARTICIPATE W/US/ITALY IN PROJECT TO DEVEL MEDIUM/LONG-RANGE PASSENGER JETLINERS (UPI, JOC).

GAO ADVOCATES US CONTINUE SENDING ALASKAN OIL THRU PANAMA CANAL TO E/GULF COASTS, RATHER THAN TRADING IT W/JAPAN. REPORT TO LAWMAKERS SAYS CRUDE OIL FROM ALASKA HAS DISPLACED SOME IMPORTS/IMPROVED US BOP; WOULD BE BEST TO COMPLETE PIPELINE TO TRANSPORT CRUDE OIL FROM W COAST; US TOO DEPENDENT ON MIDEAST FOR OIL (WSJ 9/12).

WSJ (9/12) NOTES BOTH EXXON/UNION OIL CO OF CALIF SHUFFLING THEIR INTERESTS IN JAPAN. SAYS EXXON WILL TRANSFER INTEREST IN OKINAWA CO/2 JAPANESE CONCERNS TO GENERAL SEKIYU KK FOR PRICE STILL TO BE DETERMINED. IN MOVE THAT WILL MEAN NET GAIN OF 40 MIL DOLS, SAYS UNION AGREED TO SELL 33 PCT INTEREST IN MARUZEN OIL CO, JAPANESE REFINING/MARKETING CONCERN, FOR 80 MIL DOLS.

BALT NA (9/12) REPORTS VISIT OF JAPANESE DESTROYER "AOKUMO" TO CITY; PHOTOS SHOW STUDENTS COMING ABOARD, TRADING BOOKS/ART.

4. KOREA

US HOUSE STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT CMTE VOTED UNANIMOUSLY WEDS NIGHT TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ALLEGATIONS THAT CALIF DEM REPS ROYBAL/MCFALL VIOLATED HOUSE RULES BY ILLEGALLY ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS FROM TONGSUN PARK (AP, WP).

ROKG TUES ADDED 299 ITEMS TO LIST OF GOODS THAT MAY BE IMPORTED W/O RESTRICTION (JOC).

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5. THAILAND

REUTER'S MELUNSKY (LAT 9/6) DOES FEATURE ON CHILDREN OF THAI MOTHERS/US SERVICEMEN, AND OTHER AMERASIAN CHILDREN LIVING W/ADOPTIVE PARENTS IN ASIA UNDER SPONSORSHIP PEARL S BUCK FOUNDATION. SAYS FOUNDATION SPONSORS 1350 SUCH CHILDREN IN THAILAND/COULD FIND THOUSANDS MORE IF HAD SPONSORS TO SEND FUNDS FOR THEIR SUPPORT. SAYS OBJECTIVES RATHER MODEST--BASIC EDUCATION, GOOD HEALTH, LOVE/UNDER-

STANDING.

ALTHO HIT BADLY BY INFLATION, RTG ANNOUNCED IN AUG NEW MINIMUM WAGES/ADOPTED PRICE STABILIZATION SCHEME FOR RICE. JOC'S LORENZ (BANGKOK), HOWEVER, SAYS ECONOMISTS PREDICT FUTURE WILL STILL BE DIFFICULT FOR RURAL POOR W/MOST GOOD LAND ALREADY UNDER CULTIVATION/LARGE NUMBERS YOUNG EXPECTED ENTER LABOR MRKT (BANGKOK 9/11).

6. MALAYSIA

MALAYSIAN PALM OIL PROD IN JUNE DROPPED SLIGHTLY FROM PREVIOUS MONTH (UNICOM NEWS KL, JOC).

7. CHINA/VIETNAM

RADIO HANOI CHARGES 2 ARMED CHINESE BOATS OPENED FIRE TUES/ KILLED VIET FISHERMAN IN ATTEMPT TO CAPTURE FISHING BOAT IN VIET TERRITORIAL WATERS (REUTER SINGAPORE 9/12).

AT 6TH ROUND OF TALKS IN HANOI (WP), PRC TOLD SRV TUES IT WANTS RESOLVE DISPUTE OVER STATUS ETHNIC CHINESE IN VN BEFORE THEIR RELS DETERIORATE FURTHER; BUT SUN'S PARKS (HK) SAYS HANOI REACTED W/INITIAL SKEPTICISM. VIET DEL HOANG BICH SON SAID KEY TO SETTLING QUESTION IS THAT CHINESE "SHOULD STOP USING THIS AS A POLITICAL CARD TO CARRY OUT

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ITS HOSTILE POLICY TOWARD VIETNAM." NEVERTHELESS, SAYS PARKS, PEKING'S MOVE CALCULATED TO EASE GROWING TENSIONS W/HANOI FOLLOWING SERIOUS/REPEATED INCIDENTS ALONG BORDER.

8. VIETNAM

FRANK "DECENT INTERVAL" SNEPP HAS ASKED FEDRL JUDGE STAY

ORDER RESTRICTING WHAT SNEPP CAN WRITE ABOUT CIA/ALLOW HIM PUBLISH ESSAY ON GOVT OFFICIALS/ROMANTIC SHORT STORY ABOUT CIA AGENT IN SAIGON. CLAIMS RULING OVERBROAD CONCERNING ARTICLES WHICH CONTAIN NO CLASSIFIED INFO (WP'S SEABERRY; GLOBE).

DOJ IS INVESTIGATING POSSESSION BY GRAHAM MARTIN OF VOLUMINOUS FILES TOP-SECRET INTELLIGENCE DOCS FBI RECOVERED FROM HIS HOME/AUTO LAST JAN. DOCS SAID INCLUDE HIGHLY CLASSIFIED CIA COMMUNICATIONS BETWN AMEMB SAIGON/ WASHINGTON AND COVER ENTIRE SPAN OF MAJOR US INVOLVEMENT IN VN. FRANK SNEPP SAID IN PHONE INTERVIEW W/WP TUES THAT HE HAD TOLD CIA/SENATE INTELLIGENCE CMTE IN '77 THAT MARTIN TOOK SECRET DOCS W/HIM IN EVAC FROM SAIGON. "HE TOLD ME HE KEPT THEM SO HE COULD HAVE THE LAST WORD ON KISSINGER," SNEPP SAID, ADDING NONE OF AUTHORITIES HE INFORMED

EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER DOING ANYTHING ABOUT MATTER.

ARTICLE SAYS DOJ CONSIDERING WHETHER PROSECUTE MARTIN UNDER SELDOM-USED STATUTE DEALING W/"MISUSE" OF CLASSIFIED DOCS. SAYS DOS OFFICIALS COULD CITE NO EVIDENCE THAT MARTIN HAD PERMISSION TAKE DOCS FROM EMB FILES. REACHED BY PHONE IN NC, MARTIN SAID HE HAD INTENDED TURN OVER PAPERS TO LBJ LIBRARY IN TEXAS, THO HE DID NOT CALL LIBRARY UNTIL SEVERAL WKS AFTER NC STATE POLICE FOUND BATCH STAMPED "TOP UNCLASSIFIED

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SECRET" IN TRUNK OF CAR IN COURSE OF RECOVERING CAR AFTER MARTIN REPORTED IT STOLEN. SAID POLICE WERE LED TO CAR AFTER TEACHER REPORTED HER PUPILS HAD FOUND DOCS SCATTERED IN NEARBY WOODS.

VIET AMB TO UN, ORDERED LEAVE US AFTER BEING IMPLICATED IN SPY CASE, REPLACED BY FORMER AMB TO CUBA, HA VAN LAU (REUTER UN 9/12).

TIME-LIFE NEWS SERVICE'S DE VOSS (HK) SAYS 2800-METER RUNWAY CAPABLE OF ACCOMMODATING 747S IS MAIN ATTRACTION AT HANOI'S NEWLY-CONSTRUCTED AIRPORT, DESPITE FACT ENGINEERS FORGOT TO ADD SEMICIRCULAR AREA FOR JETS TO TURN AROUND IN--STORY, HE SAYS, WHICH ILLUSTRATES SRV'S RELATIONSHIP W/INTL BUSINESS COMMUNITY. SAYS SRV DESPERATELY WANTS TECH/BANK FINANCING, BUT IS UNSURE HOW PROCEED. NOTES IT NOT CLEAR THAT SRV NOW HAS CASH TO BUY US GOODS ANYWAY, CITES COMMENTS THAT BIGGEST PROBLEM SRV BUSINESS HAS IS INEPT LEADERSHIP (WSTAR 9/12).

9. AUSTRALIA

JOC (9/12) ANNOUNCES TRX 79--TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE EXCHANGE FAIR--SCHEDULED FOR SYDNEY, 3/79. WILL PROVIDE SHOWCASE FOR MFGRS, MARKETERS, RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT ORGS, SERVICE ORGS.

CSM'S SOLOMON (CANBERRA) CITES RESURGENCE OF STRIKE ACTIVITY IN AUSTRALIA, INCL WHARF LABORERS/PUBLIC TRANSPORT FACILITIES/NATIONWIDE TELECOMMUNICATIONS STRIKE. NOTES FEDRL GOVT HAS NOT BEEN DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN MOST OF RECENT STRIKES, BUT HAS THREATENED INVOKE TOUGH NEW ANTISTRIKE LEGISLATION THAT PENALIZES INDIVIDUAL STRIKERS. UNION MOVEMENT HAS IN TURN THREATENED MASSIVE RETALIATION IF GOA USES NEW LAWS.

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IN LONG JOC ARTICLE, LOFTING DESCRIBES DIFFICULTIES OF DOING BUSINESS IN AUSTRALIA BECAUSE OF ITS REMOTENESS/SIZE; OFFSETS THESE DISADVANTAGES BY NOTING AVAILABILITY OF GOOD INTERNAL TRANSPORTATION/GOOD WEATHER/BARGAIN HOTEL

PRICES. SAYS COUNTRY RELIES ON INHERENT GOOD BUSINESS CLIMATE TO ATTRACT FOM BUSINESS RATHER THAN BY OVERSELLING ITS ADVANTAGE/PUTS HEAVY EMPHASIS ON AUSSIE PARTICIPATION IN FOM INVESTMENT.

10. AUSTRALIA/INDONESIA

AUSSIE POLITICIAN HODGMAN ACCUSES INDO OF CAUSING STARVATION DEATHS OF BETWN 30-40,000 PEOPLE IN E TIMOR BY USING DEFOLIANTS TO DESTROY CROPS. CLAIMS EITHER GOI "LIED TO AUSTRALIA AND THE WORLD" WHEN IT CLAIMED HAPPY/SUCCESSFUL INTEGRATION IN '75, OR IS GUILTY OF "GREATEST COVER-UP OF ATROCITIES COMMITTED ON THIS EARTH SINCE WWII" (REUTER CANBERRA).

11. AUSTRALIA/NIXON

RMN ANNOUNCED TUES HE HAS PUT OFF PLANS TO TRAVEL ABROAD UNTIL NEXT YR TO COMPLETE WORK ON NEW POL BOOK. SPOKE AT IMPROMPTU NEWS CONF IN NYC--1ST IN 4 YRS--AFTER SIGNING CONTRACT W/WARNER BOOKS TO WRITE ABOUT MAJOR CHALLENGES US PRES WILL FACE IN REST OF CENTURY. SAID HE HOPES PRODUCE BOOK "THAT WILL BE READ BY THE OPINION MAKERS" BUT THAT IT IN NO WAY MARKS ANY RE-ENTRY INTO POL ARENA. "I DO NOT INTEND TO PARTICIPATE IN POL ACTIVITY," HE SAID, "EXCEPT FOR SUPPORTING THE REPUBLICAN PARTY." HE ALSO ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE GOT A COOL RESPONSE FROM SOME HEADS OF STATE (AUSTRALIAN) WHEN HE PROPOSED VISITING THEIR
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COUNTRIES; SAID HE NEVER CONTEMPLATED "OFFICIAL" TRIP TO AUSTRALIA/ELSEWHERE. REPORTS SAID HE WALKED 4 BLOCKS FROM HIS HOTEL TO ROCKEFELLER CENTER/WAS GREETED BY WELL-WISHERS ALONG WAY, FOLLOWING BREAKFAST W/HAK (REUTER MANILA 9/12; AP, CHITRIB/PHINQ/SUN; WSTAR 9/12).

SPEAKING TO NATION ON TV 9/11, PM FRASER SAID THERE HAVE BEEN ALL SORTS OF SUGGESTIONS NIXON COULD BE DENIED VISA TO VISIT AUSTRALIA--BUT "WE CANNOT STOP HIM, I THINK IT WOULD BE OFFENSIVE AND WRONG" (GLOBE 9/12).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

12. JAPAN

JOC'S CULLISON (TOKYO 9/12) SEES CURRENT STALEMATE IN ECON NEGOTS BETWN US/JAPAN OVER JAPANESE FAILURE OPEN THEIR MRKTS TO MAJOR FON TRADING PARTNERS AS POSING KEY QUESTION FOR FUTURE RELS. SAYS JAPANESE, WHO HAVE ACQUIRED "SIEGE MENTALITY" REGARDING US CLAIM THAT THEIR MRKTS ARE CLOSED TO FON TRADING NATIONS, NOW RECOGNIZE THAT WINDOW DRESSING

NOT GOING TO PROVE AS EFFECTIVE AS IN PAST. QUOTES AMEMB COUNSELOR IN TOKYO CHRISTIANO THAT US TRADE MISSION, SCHEDULED ARRIVE TOKYO 10/2, WILL TRY TO OPEN UP MRKT/HELP SMALL/MED-SIZE US FIRMS SELL PRODUCTS IN JAPAN. SAYS MISSION MEMBERS WILL BE SPLIT UP INTO TEAMS AS THEY TRAVEL AROUND JAPAN, PUSHING HARDER IN AREAS WHERE JAPANESE NEED THINGS. QUOTES CHRISTIANO THAT HIGH-RANKING GOVT/BUSINESS EXECS OF JAPAN GOING TO GREAT EFFORT TO DO THEIR SHARE.

13. CHINA

CSM'S MORITZ (HK 9/12) SAYS AS "ONE MORE SIGNAL" OF NEW PRC ATTITUDE TOWARD ROC, PRC REP IN HK HAS TOLD LEFTWING UNCLASSIFIED

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BUSINESSMEN THEY HAVE GO-AHEAD TO SELL ROC CHINESE GOODS THRU HK INTERMEDIARIES. SEES PEKING, IN "NEW SHOW OF FLEXIBILITY," TAKING INITIATIVE TO DEMONSTRATE IT CAN LIVE W/"REALITY" OF RIVAL ROC GOVT/APPEARING DESIGNED CONVEY IMPRESSION PRC IN NO HURRY REINTEGRATE TAIWAN, BUT WOULD BE QUITE CONTENT TO ACCEPT STATUS QUO THERE SO LONG AS ROC ABSTAINS FROM ANY EFFORT GAIN SOVIET SUPPORT AS REPLACEMENT

FOR DECLINING US AID/MAKES NO EFFORT SET UP NEW NATIONAL ENTITY PERMANENTLY SEPARATE FROM PRC.

SFO CHRON EDIT (8/30) SAYS PRC PROPOSAL TO EXCHANGE STUDENTS W/US CONSTITUTES MAJOR POLICY TURNABOUT, MAY BE IN LONG RUN MOST SIGNIFICANT MANIFESTATION OF PEKING'S OPENING UP TO REST OF WORLD. FEELS STUDENTS, BY LIVING IN US, WILL OBSERVE LIFE IN DEMOCRACY 1ST-HAND, WHICH SHOULD PROVIDE LESSON THAT CAN ONLY BE BENEFICIAL TO US.

ST LOUIS POST-DISPATCH'S VOLLAND QUOTES VIEW OF PROF STANLEY SPECTOR (WASH U) THAT SINO-US STUDENT EXCHANGES WILL BE KEY TO RAPPROCHEMENT OF 2 SUPERPOWERS. ACCORDING SPECTOR, US UNIVERSITIES HAVE IMPORTANT ROLE IN PLAY IN HELPING CHINESE SOLVE PROBLEMS OF MODERNIZATION--AND, CONSEQUENTLY, IN ASSISTING WORLD "TO SOLVE ITS PROBLEM OF CHINA."

CSM'S MACLEOD (LONDON) SAYS PRC AND BRITAIN ARE POISED TO PUT THEIR POL DEALINGS ONTO INCREASINGLY FRIENDLY FOOTING, AND SALE OF LARGE NUMBERS HARRIER FIGHTERS "LOOKS AS THOUGH IT WILL PROVIDE THE STIMULUS FOR THE NEW LEADERSHIP."

SFO CHRON EDIT (9/4) FINDS "AMUSING" SOVIET'S "DISCOMFITURE AND ALARM" OVER HUA'S EUROPE TRIP. QUESTIONS WHAT "WAR-UNCLASSIFIED

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STUFFS" CEAUSESCU OR TITO "COULD TURN OVER," BUT NOTES SHAH "HAS PLENTY"--AND "MAYBE THAT'S WHAT THE TEHRAN

IMPERIALIST AND THE PEKING COMMUNIST TALKED ABOUT."

CSM'S BOURNE (VIENNA) FINDS THAT HUA'S RECENT BALKAN TOUR APPEARS TO HAVE HAD EFFECT OF ENCOURAGING YUGOSLAVIA/ROMANIA/ALBANIA SPEAK UP AGAINST SOVIET PRESSURES IN SE EUROPE.

WP'S MATHEWS (HK 9/12) FEELS PEKING, COMMITTED TO BUILDUP MODERN ECON/ARMY, "SIMPLY HAS NO TIME FOR MAO'S MORE RADICAL NOTIONS," SUCH AS ELIMINATING PRIVILEGES OF EDUCATED ELITE/TURNING FACTORY ADMINISTRATION OVER TO ORDINARY WORKERS. BELIEVES NEW LEADERSHIP WANTS RESPITE FROM MAO'S MYTH OF INFALLIBILITY/CHANCE WORK OUT THEIR OWN POLICIES W/O FIGHTING.

EVE AUCHINCLOSS REVIEWS 2 PHOTO VOLUMES--GOODRICH'S "THE FACE OF CHINA 1860-1912" AND "IMPERIAL CHINA 1850-1912" OF WORSWICK/SPENCE. FINDS FACES OF PEOPLE--"CLEVER, PRACTICAL, DIGNIFIED, AND HUMOROUS"--ARE "FAR FROM

INSCRUTABLE," AND CENTURY LATER "WE CAN EXAMINE THEM WITH RESPECT AND HUMILITY" (WP 9/10).

14. VIETNAM/LAOS

WSTAR'S DEAN (9/12) INTERVIEWS REP MONTGOMERY (D-MISS) ABOUT HIS CODEL TO VN/LAOS, SAYS VISIT STARTED WHEN MONTGOMERY RECEIVED CALLING CARD IN MAIL FROM VIET DEP FONMIN PHAN HIEN. MONTGOMERY DESCRIBED TRIP AS MILESTONE BECAUSE OF "COMPLETE CHANGE OF ATTITUDE" ON PART OF VIETS. NOTED THEY DIDN'T PLAN VISIT LAOS/ONCE THERE DIDN'T EXPECT PICK UP ANY MIA REMAINS, BUT THEY DIDN'T DARE TRAVEL TO KAMPUCHEA WHERE "IT'S TOO CHAOTIC."

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MONTGOMERY SAID HE GOT INVOLVED IN RETURN OF MIAS BECAUSE OF TRIPS HE TOOK TO VN DURING WAR. WHILE 70 HAVE BEEN RECOVERED, SAID MOST OF 2,000 OTHERS NEVER WILL BE/SOMEBODY HAS TO "WRITE THE FINAL SAD CHAPTER IN VIETNAM." NOTING HIS VIEW HAS MET W/HEATED REACTION FROM NATL LEAGUE OF FAMILIES, STRESSED HE HAS NOT "JUST ACCEPTED WORD OF VIETS/LAOTIANS, BUT HAS CROSS-CHECKED THRU MEMORY-BANK OF EX-POWS/INTL RED CROSS/UNHRC/AMBASSADORS IN HANOI/OTHERS.

15. AUSTRALIA

RAYMOND NADEAU (GLOBE 9/10) REVIEWS "THE TRACK TO BRALGU" BY B WONGAR (LITTLE-BROWN)--REMARKABLE COLLECTION OF STORIES BY AUSSIE ABORIGINE, WRITING FOR POL REASONS, UNDER ASSUMED NAME. CALLS 12 TALES "LAMENTATIONS FOR A HUMAN GROUP SLOWLY BEING PULLED INTO THE WIDER COMMUNITY OF

MAN." NOTES ALAN PATON HAS WRITTEN BRIEF/ELOQUENT FOREWARD ON EUROPEAN DEVEL/EMPIRE BY MEANS OF INSENSITIVE PLUNDER--NOW HAPPENING TO ABORIGINES. SAYS STORIES CAPTURE IN EXTRAORDINARY FASHION ESSENCE OF "CULTURES IN DISTRESS"/IMPLICATE US ALL.

16. AUSTRALIA/NIXON

UNDER HEADLINE, "OK, WHO INVITED WHAT'S-HIS-NAME?", CHITRIB'S KILLIAN WRITES SPOOF ON FICTICIOUS TRIP ABROAD BY RMN. ACCOMPANIED BY CARTOON SHOWING NIXON'S PLEA FOR INVITATION BEING ANSWERED BY, "DON'T CALL US--WE'LL CALL YOU;" (PHINQ). CHRISTOPHER

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